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SUBJECT: MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO MOROCCO

REF: TEHRAN 3930 (NOTAL)

1. FYI: STATUS REPORT. DEPARTMENT IS NOW PREPARED TO NOTIFY CONGRESS OF OUR INTENT TO APPROVE TRANSFER FROM IRAN TO JORDAN AND SUBSEQUENTLY JORDAN TO MOROCCO OF 5 FMS-ORIGIN F-5A AIRCRAFT. WE WOULD APPROVE TRANSFER OF SINGLE MAP-

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ORIGIN F-5A TO MOROCCO VIA JORDAN BUT NOTE THAT, IF PLANE

RETURNED TO US, PROCESS WOULD BE TIME CONSUMING. IF IRAN
CHOOSES TO PURCHASE US RESIDUAL RIGHTS TO THIS AIRPLANE,
COST WOULD BE DOLLARS 100,000 AND PURCHASE PROCESS COULD BE
COMPLETED IN A MATTER OF HOURS. DEPARTMENT ALSO PREPARING
TO NOTIFY CONGRESS OF OUR INTENT TO APPROVE TRANSFER OF 20
F-5A'S FROM JORDAN TO MOROCCO. WE PLAN TO MAKE FORMAL
NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS ON APRIL 26 FOLLOWING EASTER
RECESS. DOD FORWARDING SUGGESTED PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR MAP-
ORIGIN F-5A AND IF THE IRANIANS ACT RIGHT AWAY, THEN ALL
SIX F-5A'S COULD BE INCLUDED IN THIS NOTIFICATION.
CONCERNING PARA 6-B REFTTEL, DEPT APPROVES TRANSFER OF
HOWITZERS IN PRINCIPLE BUT WILL DELAY NOTIFICATION OF
CONGRESS PENDING RECEIPT OF ASSURANCES THAT GOI AND GOM HAVE
REACHED UNDERSTANDING ON MODALITIES REPLACEMENT. PERIOD OF

CONGRESSIONAL CONSIDERATION WILL TOTAL 10 DAYS FROM DATE
NOTIFICATION IS SENT TO CONGRESS, PLUS (IN CASE OF
IRANIAN-ORIGIN EQUIPMENT) TIME REQUIRED FOR JORDAN TO
SUBMIT REQUEST FOR ONWARD TRANSFER AND FOR THIS REQUEST
TO REMAIN 10 DAYS WITH CONGRESS. ACTUAL MOVEMENT OF
EQUIPMENT TO BE TRANSFERRED MUST NOT BEGIN UNTIL
DEPARTMENT INFORMS EMBASSIES THAT FINAL APPROVAL GRANTED.
END FYI.

2. FOR NOUAKCHOTT: SECRETARY HAS APPROVED DETERMINA-
TION MAKING MAURITANIA ELIGIBLE FOR THE TRANSFER OF US-
ORIGIN DEFENSE ARTICLES FROM JORDAN. INSTRUCTIONS
ON PROCEDURES FOR TRANSFER WILL FOLLOW SEPTTEL. KISSINGER

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